

Docket No. 00240416P001aUS



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: J. Halsey, et. al.

Filed: March 31, 2004

Group Art Unit: 3634

Serial No: 10/817,218

Examiner: Andrea Coulter

For: Method and Device for Buttressing a Sliding Door

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Response is in response to the Office Action mailed July 20, 2006 in the above-captioned application. A Response was first due on August 20, 2006. With a one-month extension of time to respond, this Response is due on or before September 20, 2006.

I. The Restriction Requirement

In the Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- Group I: Claims 15-38 and 45-47, drawn to a reinforced door comprising a door frame and a supporting member, classified in class 49, subclass 506; or
- Group II: Claims 1-14 and 39-44, drawn to methods of reinforcing a sliding door, classified in class 49, subclass 404.

Applicant elects the claims of **Group I**, without traverse, for prosecution on the merits in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected claims in a Divisional application.

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II. Election of Species

Further, pursuant to the requirement for election under 35 U.S.C. §121, Applicant elects the Species depicted Figures 1-6. Claims 15-38 and 45-47 are readable on the elected species.

No fee is believed to be due for the submission of the above-listed items.

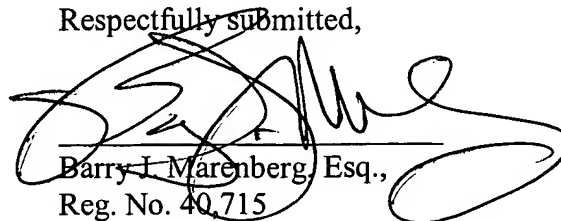
If any fee should be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1250. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

III. Oath/Declaration

The Office Action states that Applicant has not given a post office address anywhere in the application papers as required by 37 CFR 1.33(a). The post office address of applicant's attorney is below. The address of each applicant was communicated on the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney submitted June 17, 2004 in the Response to the Notice of Missing Part.

No fee is believed to be due for the submission of the above-listed items. If any fee should be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1250. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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